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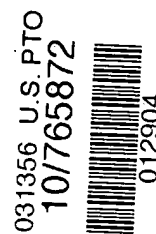
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New U.S. Patent Application

Title: CARD SLOT UNIT FOR PORTABLE DIGITAL EQUIPMENT
Inventors: Shinnichi TAKEZAWA and Tomohide CHIDA

Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application - 20 pages, including 2 independent claims and 15 claims total.
2. Drawings - 3 sheets of formal drawings containing 11 figures (Figures 1-9).
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
4. Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Assignment to KABUSHIKI KAISHA TOSHIBA.
5. Certified copy of Japanese Application No. 2003-023872, filed January 31, 2003.
6. Information Disclosure Statement and Information Disclosure Citation, PTO 1449 with 1 document attached.

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Applicants claim the right to priority based on Japanese Application No. 2003-023872, filed January 31, 2003.

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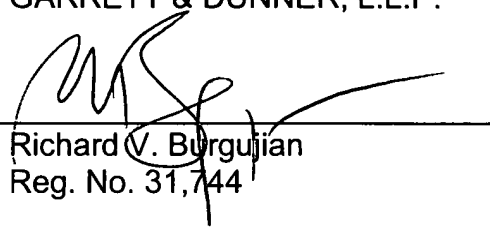
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